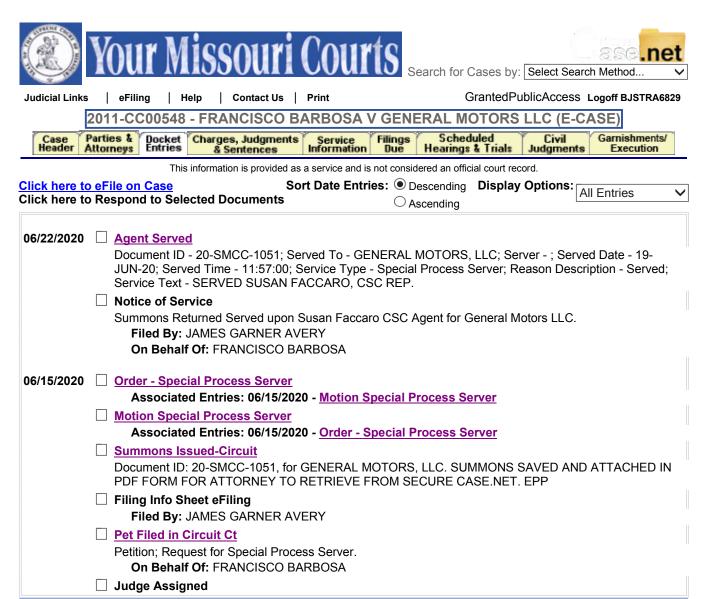
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# **EXHIBIT A**

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# IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY STATE OF MISSOURI

FRANCISCO BARBO	SA,	
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Plaintiff,

Case No:

VS.

Division:

GENERAL MOTORS, LLC,

Jury Trial Demanded

Defendant.

Serve at:

CSC of St Louis County, Inc. 130 South Bemiston Ave Suite 700 Clayton, Missouri 63105

#### **PETITION**

COMES NOW Francisco Barbosa, by and through attorney Jim Avery of Avery Injury Law and his cause of action against Defendant General Motors, LLC (General Motors) states to the Court as follows:

#### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 1. Plaintiff is a lawful resident of the State of Missouri.
- Defendant General Motors is a company in good standing authorized to do business in the State of Missouri and County of St Charles.
- General Motors can be properly served at their agent CSC of St Louis, County, Inc.
   130 Bemiston, Ave Suite 700, Clayton, Missouri 63105.
- 4. On or about November 21, 2019, at or around 4:00 AM, Plaintiff was a business invitee lawfully upon the premises of General Motors Wentzville Plant located at 1500 Highway A, Wentzville, MO 63385 for the purpose of delivering materials from his employer.

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- 5. At that time and place Plaintiff was between dock doors 10 and 11, there was an unsecured wheel chock belonging to General Motors.
- 6. After exiting his vehicle, the unsecured wheel chock caused Plaintiff to trip and fall and sustain permanent and disabling injuries discussed herein.
- 7. The wheel chock was discrete and undisclosed to Plaintiff.
- 8. The unsecured wheel chock created a dangerous condition upon the premises, which Defendant knew or should have known existed at all times relevant herein, and condition, which was not reasonably safe to anyone including Plaintiff.
- 9. Plaintiff was in no matter or degree negligent.
- 10. Venue is proper under MO. REV. STAT. §508.010, insofar that the incident giving rise to this cause of action occurred in St. Charles County, State of Missouri.
- Jurisdiction is appropriate in the Circuit Court as the damages sought, exclusive of interest and costs, exceed the amount of the jurisdiction of the Associate Circuit Court under the provisions of MO. REV. STAT. §478.225.

#### <u>COUNT I – NEGLIGENCE</u>

- 12. Plaintiff adopts and incorporates by reference each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 11 as if fully set forth herein.
- 13. Defendant General Motors was negligent in allowing a dangerous condition to exist when General Motors knew or should have known through the exercise of reasonable diligence and ordinary care of that condition's existence.
- 14. Defendant General Motors breached a duty to its business invitees, including Plaintiff, to maintain the General Motors premises in a reasonably safe manner so that its business invitees would not be injured while on the premises.

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- 15. Defendant breached its duty by failing to maintain the General Motors premises in a reasonably safe manner and by allowing a dangerous condition to exist for a sufficient length of time prior to the occurrence alleged herein, when General Motors should have taken reasonable and appropriate steps to remove the condition, which eventually caused Plaintiff to fall and sustain serious injury.
- 16. As a direct result of General Motors negligence, Plaintiff was caused to sustain the following serious and permanent bodily injuries to wit: he sustained injury to his left knee, right wrist, left shoulder and ribs and suffering in the past and has suffered and will continue to experience pain and suffering in the future.
- 17. As a direct result of General Motors negligence, Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer both emotionally and psychologically.
- 18. As a direct and proximate result of the aforesaid occurrence, Plaintiff's ability to work, labor and enjoy the ordinary pursuits of life has been severely and permanently impaired and diminished.
- 19. As a direct and proximate result of the aforesaid injuries, Plaintiff has been caused to undergo medical care and treatment as well as hospital care and treatment, and will be required to undertake further care and treatment in the future.
- 20. As a direct and proximate result of the aforesaid occurrence and resulting injuries, Plaintiff has lost wages and earnings and will continue to suffer wage loss in the future as well as a diminished capacity to earn income.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Francisco Barbosa prays judgment against Defendant General Motors, in an amount in excess of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), pre-judgment interest, for his costs herein incurred, and for such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper under the circumstances.

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#### **COUNT II – FAILURE TO WARN**

- 21. Plaintiff adopts and incorporates by reference each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 21 as if fully set forth herein.
- 22. Defendant General Motors was negligent in allowing a dangerous condition to exist when General Motors knew or should have known through the exercise of reasonable diligence and ordinary care of that condition's existence.
- 23. Defendant could have but failed to use ordinary care to warn of or remedy the aforementioned dangerous condition.
- 24. As a direct result of General Motors negligence, Plaintiff was caused to sustain the following serious and permanent bodily injuries to wit: he sustained injury to his left knee, right wrist, left shoulder and ribs and pain and suffering in the past and has suffered and will continue to experience pain and suffering in the future.
- 25. As a direct result of General Motors negligence, Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer both emotionally and psychologically.
- 26. As a direct and proximate result of the aforesaid occurrence, Plaintiff's ability to work, labor and enjoy the ordinary pursuits of life has been severely and permanently impaired and diminished.
- 27. As a direct and proximate result of the aforesaid injuries, Plaintiff has been caused to undergo medical care and treatment as well as hospital care and treatment, and will be required to undertake further care and treatment in the future.
- 28. As a direct and proximate result of the aforesaid occurrence and resulting injuries,
  Plaintiff has lost wages and earnings and will continue to suffer wage loss in the
  future as well as a diminished capacity to earn income.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Francisco Barbosa prays judgment against Defendant General Motors, in an amount in excess of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), pre-judgment

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interest, for his costs herein incurred, and for such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

**AVERY INJURY LAW** 

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Judge or Division:

#### IN THE 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI

JON A. CUNNINGHAM				
Plaintiff/Petitioner:		Plaintiff's/Petitioner's Attorney/	Address	
FRANCISCO BARBOSA		JAMES GARNER AVERY		
		50 EXECUTIVE CENTER STE	30	
		SAINT LOUIS, MO 63126		
	VS.			
Defendant/Respondent:		Court Address:		
GENERAL MOTORS, LLO	<u> </u>	300 N 2nd STREET		
Nature of Suit:		SAINT CHARLES, MO 63301		
CC Pers Injury-Vehicular				(Date File Stamp)
		mmons in Civil Case		
The State of Missouri to	: GENERAL MOTOR	S, LLC		
	Alias:			
1500 HWY A		AT: R/A CSC OF ST LOUIS		
WENTZVILLE, MO 63385	COUNT 130 SO	UTH BEMISTON AVE		
	SUITE			
	CLAYT	ON, MO 63105		
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COURT SEAL OF		d to appear before this court a		
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		y of service. If you fail to file y		agment by default may
0	be taken against yo	ou for the relief demanded in t	he petition.	
	6/15/2020		/S/ Cheryl Cro	wder
ST. CHARLES COUNTY	Date		Clerk	
	Further Information:			
		eriff's or Server's Return		
Note to serving officer:	Summons should be retui	ned to the court within 30 days after	r the date of issue.	
I certify that I have served	d the above summons by:	(check one)		
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		, a person of the def	endant's/responden	t's family over the age of
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		(name)		
☐ other:				·
Served at				(address)
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in	(County/Cit	y of St. Louis), MO, on	(date	e) at (time).
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		before me on		date).
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		Date	Notar	y Public
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A copy of the summons an	d a copy of the petition mu	st be served on <b>each</b> defendant/res	spondent. For metho	ods of service on all
classes of suits, see Supre				**

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# IN THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, ST CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI

Judge or Division:	Case Number:	
Plaintiff:	Defendant:	
Francisco Barbosa	General Motors, LLC	
		(Date File Stamp)

#### REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL PROCESS SERVER

	, pursuant	t to Local Court Rule 4.2.1 and at
his/her/its own risk, request	s the appointment of:	
_John Frederick	PO BOX 27041 St Louis, MO 63	127 (314) 966-5585
Name of Process Server	Address	Telephone
Name of Process Server	Address	Telephone
a person(s) of lawful age to	serve the summons and petition in thi	s cause on the below named parties.
This appointment as special	l process server does not include the a	uthorization to carry a concealed
weapon in the performance	thereof.	
SERVE:	SERVE	:
CSC of St Louis County, Inc		
Name	Name	
130 Bemiston Ave Suite	700	
Address	Address	
—Clayton, MO 63105		
City/State/Zip	City/State	e/Zip
Appointed as requested:		
Cheryl Crowder,		
Circuit Clerk		
By	Date	
	Clerk	

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# IN THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, ST CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI

Judge or Division:	Case Number:
Plaintiff:	Defendant:
Francisco Barbosa	General Motors, LLC

(Date 1 he Stamp)

# REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL PROCESS SERVER

Comes now Plai	ntiff Francisco Barbosa	, pursuant to Lo	ocal Court Rule 4.2.1 and at	
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weapon in the perfe	•		•	
SERVE:		SERVE:		
CSC of St Louis Co	unty, Inc			
Name	•	Name		
_130 Bemiston Av	ve Suite 700			
Address		Address		
— Clayton, MO 63	105			
City/State/Zip		City/State/Zip		
Appointed as requested:				
<b>Cheryl Crowder,</b>				
Circuit Clerk	REQUESTING PARTY SO APPOINTED:			
By	/S/ Cheryl Crowder 10:32 am, Jun 15, 20:	Date		
	Deputy Clerk			

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# IN THE 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI

Judge or Division: JON A. CUNNINGHAM	Case Number: 2011-CC00548	
Plaintiff/Petitioner: FRANCISCO BARBOSA	Plaintiff's/Petitioner's Attorney/Address JAMES GARNER AVERY 50 EXECUTIVE CENTER STE 30 SAINT LOUIS, MO 63126 vs.	
Defendant/Respondent: GENERAL MOTORS, LLC Nature of Suit: CC Pers Injury-Vehicular	Court Address: 300 N 2nd STREET SAINT CHARLES, MO 63301	(Date File Stamp

CC Pers Injury-Vehicular			(Date File Stamp)	
	Summons in	Civil Case		
The State of Missouri to: GENERAL MOTORS, LLC				
Alias:				
1500 HWY A	SERVE AT: R/A CSC OF	ST LOUIS		
WENTZVILLE, MO 63385	COUNTY, INC 130 SOUTH BEMISTON A	AVE		
	SUITE 700			
	CLAYTON, MO 63105			
COURT SEAL OF You are	summoned to appear be	fore this court and to file your p	leading to the petition, a	
copy of	f which is attached, and to	serve a copy of your pleading	upon the attorney for	
plaintif	//petitioner at the above a	ddress all within 30 days after r	eceiving this summons,	
(2) exclusi	ve of the day of service. I	f you fail to file your pleading, ju	idgment by default may	
be take	n against you for the relie	ef demanded in the petition.		
ST. CHARLES COUNTY	6/15/2020	/S/ Cheryl Cr	owder	
ST. CHARLES COUNTY	Date	Clerk		
Further Ir	formation: Sheriff's or Serv	Detum		
Note to serving officer: Summons s		within 30 days after the date of issue.		
I certify that I have served the above				
delivering a copy of the summons	and a copy of the petition to the	ne defendant/respondent.		
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